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SUBJECT: BOMBING OF COSTA RICAN CONSULATE

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1. REFTEL'S ASSESSMENT OF RESPONSIBILITY FOR BOMBING NOW APPEARS SOMEWHAT LESS CERTAIN. MARCH 28 FBI REPORT ADDS FOLLOWING DETAILS: ESTIMATED TIME OF BOMB 12:25 AM, MARCH 27. ALSO FROM FBI REPORT, BEGIN QUOTE: FRONT WINDOW PANES OF CONSULATE SHATTERED AND ALUMINUM DOOR FRAME DENTED BY EXPLOSION. NO ESTIMATE OF MONETARY LOSS AT THIS TIME. NO INJURIES. LOS ANGELES POLICE DEPARTMENT TOOK POSSESSION AND IS EXAMINING PHYSICAL EVIDENCE.

CONSUL GENERAL CORTEZ ADVISED IN HIS OPINION ANTI-CASTRO CUBANS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR BOMBING, ALTHOUGH HE HAS NO SPECIFIC SUSPECTS. NO THREATS RECEIVED BY CONSULATE PRIOR TO BOMBING. END QUOTE.

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2. WASHINGTON POST OF MARCH 28 REPORTED FOLLOWING. BEGIN

QUOTE: THE BOMB IN THE DOWNTOWN LOS ANGELES BUILDING CAUSED MINOR DAMAGE TO THE OFFICES OF APEX INTERNATIONAL EXPORTING CO. IN A PHONE CALL TO RADIO STATION KFWB, A MAN CLAIMING TO BE A MEMBER OF A PRO-CASTRO CUBAN GROUP

TOOK RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE BOMB. HE SAID THAT HE SUPPORTED CUBAN PREMIER FIDEL CASTRO'S EFFORTS TO GET CUBA INTO THE ORGANIZATION OF AMERICAN STATES.

THE BOMB, THE CALLER SAID, WAS AIMED AGAINST THE PANAMANIAN TOURIST BUREAU, WHICH OCCUPIES OFFICES IN THE BUILDING THAT WAS THE TARGET OF THE BOMB. "IF ANY PRO-CASTRO GROUP DID THAT, IT SOUNDS VERY WEIRD," SAID NICK NELL, DIRECTOR OF THE BUREAU. "PANAMA HAS OPENED RELATIONS WITH CUBA." END QUOTE.

3. FINAL FBI REPORT WILL BE POUCHED WHEN AVAILABLE. KISSINGER

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